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	AS4708:2013 and AS4708:2021		Ross Garsden

The audit included direct engagement with DBCA, (the regulator), and confirmed the organisation's commitment to continual improvement in its strategic management; operational performance; and the systems that support the business. DBCA confirmed the publication of the End of Term Report for the 2014-2023 Forest Management Plan which has now been released publicly. The report notes a very high level of conformance with the requirements.

Staff resilience was observed as a strength of the organisation.

FPC has made progress with its Climate Change Adaptation Plan and has resourced the Policy team to progress this significant body of work. The organisation is also in the process of engaging a consultant to assist with the Climate Adaptation Plan and developing the carbon account. This is all linked to the Plantation expansion program and reducing the organisation's carbon footprint. This is noted as a significant improvement.

The organisation has responded positively to the opportunities for improvement noted in the previous report. The minor non-conformance identified in the previous report in relation to chain of responsibility has been addressed and this matter is now closed.

No non-conformances were identified during this assessment; however, the report notes several opportunities for improvement.

The audit has determined that the organisation continues to meet the requirements of AS 4708:2013 and AS4708:2021. Accordingly, the report includes a recommendation for recertification to the nominated Standard/s.

The auditors would like to acknowledge the cooperation, professionalism and constructive engagement of all staff involved in the planning and conduct of this audit. This contributed significantly to the overall effectiveness of the assessment process.

The DFA comprises the following forest management units located in Western Australia: Northern and southern jarrah; Karri forests; Softwood plantations; sandalwood plantations and native sandalwood; and mixed eucalypt plantations.

9,816,383 ha